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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Pilot Commissioners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Friday, March 12, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: June 4, 2010

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Patterson, President, Shipping Industry Representative Troy Selph, Professional Member, Vice President Richard Cordrey, Public Member Thomas Cook, Public Member

#### **ABSENT**

David Potter, Professional Member Charles F. Macintire, Professional Member David Brady, Public Member

## **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Fredrick Schranck, Deputy Attorney General Judy Letterman, Administrative Specialist III

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Jonathan Vaughn, Pilot Training Program Director James Roche, President, Pilot Association James Johnson, Pilot Association

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Patterson called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Cordrey, seconded by Mr. Selph to approve the December 11, 2009 minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously carried.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Pilot Association Apprentice Committee Report

Mr. Vaughn informed the Commission that Blake Hershelman passed the Coast Guard examination in December and should finish all federal testing by spring. William Keller returned to limited training activities in December and the Commission will be informed of his progress at the next meeting.

## Accidents, Groundings and /or Incidents

Mr. Selph read Mr. Potter's report informing the Commission that Mr. Potter was contacted by the Division's Investigator, concerning complaint 03-01-09, and agreed with the investigator to close the complaint without further action.

# Strategic Plan

The Commission has nothing to add at this time.

#### Post Renewal Audit

The Commission will audit 10% of the First Class pilots.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There is no new business.

#### OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Mr. Selph was concerned with the permanent agenda item which identifies any pilot who has not meet the offshore advisory requirement, due to lack of resources, before advancing to first class and asked if this could negatively effect the pilot.

Mr. Patterson explained that other pilots might be in the same position and by making it a permanent item on the agenda, the Commission can track the pilots who have advanced but not completed their trip requirement.

Mr. Patterson also inquired whether there was other option available for the pilot to obtain their trip experience.

Mr. Schranck stated that the pilot would need to make the trips on a vessel rated over 100,000-summer deadweight tons.

Capt. Roche informed the Commission that he would look into other options so that the pilots can meet their offshore trip requirements.

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# **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting has been scheduled for Friday, June 4, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

# **AJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Cordrey seconded by Mr. Macintire to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Letterman Administrative Specialist III